

Appl. No. 09/819,194
Amdt. F dated January 18, 2004
Reply to Office action of October 19, 2004

REMARKS

Summarizing this amendment, claim 9 has been amended, claims 1-8, 10-12 and 19-29 remain unchanged. Thus, claims 1-12 and 19-29 are again presented.

Applicant has amended claim 9 to eliminate the deficiency noted by the examiner. The claim should now comply with 35 USC 112. The remaining claims, that is claims 1-8, 10-12, and 19-29 stand allowed.

In view of the foregoing, favorable consideration and allowance of the application with 23 claims – namely, claims 1-12 and 19-29 – are respectfully requested.

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